

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

ARTEMUS BLANKENSHIP,

Plaintiff,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY,
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,

Defendant.

CASE No. 1:21-cv-00581-NONE-SAB

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO
PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

and

ORDER DIRECTING PAYMENT OF
INMATE FILING FEE BY CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND
REHABILITATION

(ECF No. 3)

Artemus Blankenship ("Plaintiff"), a state prisoner proceeding pro se, filed this action against the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, and has requested leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Plaintiff has made the showing required by § 1915(a) and accordingly, the request to proceed *in forma pauperis* will be granted. Plaintiff is obligated to pay the statutory filing fee of \$350.00 for this action. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1). Plaintiff is obligated to make monthly payments in the amount of twenty percent of the preceding month's income credited to plaintiff's trust account. The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is required to send to the Clerk of the Court payments from plaintiff's account each time the amount in the account exceeds \$10.00, until the statutory filing fee is paid in full. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2).

In accordance with the above and good cause appearing therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is GRANTED;

1 **2. The Director of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation**
2 **or his designee shall collect payments from plaintiff's prison trust account in an amount**
3 **equal to twenty per cent (20%) of the preceding month's income credited to the prisoner's**
4 **trust account and shall forward those payments to the Clerk of the Court each time the**
5 **amount in the account exceeds \$10.00, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2), until a**
6 **total of \$350.00 has been collected and forwarded to the Clerk of the Court. The payments**
7 **shall be clearly identified by the name and number assigned to this action;**

8 3. The Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of this order and a copy of
9 plaintiff's in forma pauperis application on the Director of the California Department of
10 Corrections and Rehabilitation, via the court's electronic case filing system (CM/ECF); and

11 4. The Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of this order on the Financial
12 Department, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California, Sacramento Division.

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14 IT IS SO ORDERED.

15 Dated: **April 23, 2021**


UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE